

KY Tech student wins 2011 Kentucky Distinguished Young Women Title (formerly Kentucky Junior Miss Program)

Christine Mattingly, a KY Tech-Marion County Area Technology Center student, was named the 2011 Kentucky Distinguished Young Woman on January 15 at the Singletary Center for the Arts in Lexington. From a field of 31 contestants, Mattingly won preliminary awards for scholastics, self-expression, and talent. She also won the overall fitness award.

Considered by administrators and instructors as an outstanding young lady, Christine lived up to her reputation. In her case beauty, brains, talent and fitness are a great combination in and out of the classroom.

With a 4.0 GPA, Christine is an honor roll student and Governor's Scholar. She serves as Beta Club president, soccer team captain, and is a student council representative. Her activities also include being a Teen Leadership graduate and local SkillsUSA Kentucky member. And, Christine was recently named KY Tech-Marion Co. Student of the Month.



Christine



Pageant photos provided by Mattingly family.



Christine and Laura Arnold

Laura Arnold:
KY Tech-Marion Co. ATC
principal:

“Christine exhibits great leadership in all she does. Her ability to get along with others, commitment to success, and positive attitude are outstanding qualities becoming of a champion.

“In addition to a full compliment of activities at the high school, she currently serves as president of our ATC National Technical Honor Society and has participated in SkillsUSA Kentucky events.

“If I’m not mistaken, Christine is the first Kentucky Tech student to win this prestigious award. And, we are so proud to call her one of our students.”

An information technology student under the guidance of instructor Anita Milburn, Mattingly has plans to become a computer engineer.

“I’m glad the ATC offers such a wide variety of computer classes,” said Mattingly. “Taking several different information technology classes has helped me decide what area of technology that I am most interested in pursuing. Ms. Milburn has done a great job of exposing students to future career pathways.”

Christine’s college plan is to go to the University of Kentucky in the fall where she will be able to put the Singletary Scholarship she earned to good use.



Milburn:

“I have known Christine since she enrolled in the information technology program as a freshman.

“She is an outstanding student and always strives to excel in her class work. In addition, she is friendly, outgoing and always willing to help a fellow student. Christine is a wonderful role model for others.”



For more information on the Distinguished Young Women program, click on the logo above.



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According to Mary Taylor, Marion Co. ATC career advisor, “The Junior Miss Scholarship Program has been an institution in Marion County since it started in 1965. It’s still going strong today because of business, industry and community support.”

She should know. Christine’s mother was Taylor’s chairperson when she was in the 1990 Marion County pageant. And, Taylor now serves as a member of the Marion County Junior Miss committee.

While Christine is still enjoying the thrill of victory, she is also preparing to represent Kentucky in the national finals in Mobile, Alabama from June 23-25, 2011. There she will meet contestants from the other 49 states who will compete for approximately \$150,000 in cash scholarships.

Christine is the daughter of Joe and Carol Mattingly of Lebanon.

And, by the way, Mary Taylor will also be going to Mobile - her role will be to cheer Christine on during the competition.

“Marion County has not had a state winner since 1973,” says Taylor. “Christine will represent Marion County and Kentucky well!”